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HONGKONG, JANUARY 6TH, 1908.

The Shanghai branch of the China Association has in the last two or three months been variously criticised for the telegram that inspired Mr. R. S. GUNDY's famous letter to the Foreign Office. One or two Home papers, judging prima facie, have suggested that the letter did not harmonize with English notions of fair-play, and its publication was scarcely in accordance with the customary amenities of public life. Papers in North China have gone even further, and have made statements at which others scarcely dared even to hint. It may be remembered that about the end of October we reproduced from the North China Daily News some comments which included the remark that the step taken by the China Association had "a harsh ring about it," and the not very ingenious words, "It will be noted that the China Association

has not put forward any candidate of its own." Any reader who has carefully followed all our references to the subject of the Inspector-Generalship, ever since Sir ROBERT HART's retirement began to be talked about, and that is a long while ago, will know that on more than one occasion we have hinted very plainly that there were and have been all along, rival candidates for the position, and it would be too stupid to suppose that the claims of one have never inspired objections to the claim of another. We do not suggest that the China Association has a candidate for whose appointment it is unanimous. We happen to know that the Shanghai branch was not even unanimous in sending the much criticised telegram. The Hongkong branch is not so keen on the business as the Shanghai branch, for the simple reason that it is not familiar with all the issues involved, the sub rosa issues as well as the obvious imperial issues; and it follows the Shanghai branch, when it does follow, from loyalty to the general aim of the whole Association. If Mr. J. O. P. BLAND is ambitious to succeed Sir ROBERT HART, or Mr. JAMIESON, or Mr. AGLEN, Mr. HIPPISLEY, or Mr. BRAZIER, the Hongkong members are not so seriously agitated about these candidates as their Shanghai colleagues may be. They might be caught more by the glamour of the name of Lord CURZON of Kedleston, which has actually been whispered in this connection. In the meantime we do not care to be more explicit; all we desire is that our readers should not be misled into supposing that there is no competition for the position, or that the opposition to "the natural successor to Sir ROBERT HART" (the N.C. Daily News phrase) is wholly based on a unanimous belief that Sir ROBERT BREXON is not qualified to succeed. We may have to go into the question of this competition later, but as Sir ROBERT HART has no immediate intention of resigning, the question does not at present really arise. It is almost certain that he will go on leave this Spring, and Sir ROBERT BREXON will become, as a matter of course, the acting chief of the Imperial Maritime Customs. The Shanghai branch of the China Association has already protested, against his permanent appointment. This gives us the right to speculate as to the causes of that gentleman's obvious unpopularity in certain quarters. We are not so much shocked as some of our contemporaries have been at the attacks made upon him; for we know that human nature is very much alike behind the scenes, whether the stage be Shanghai, the Customs, or the China Association itself. Even kings and emperors have their human littlenesses, their petty dislikes, and to be concerned with affairs of imperial moment does not necessarily make a man immune from the emotions and behaviour following natural antipathies. Sir ROBERT BREXON happens to be one of those superior men who present sharp elbows to their envying fellows. Like the Irishman at Donnybrook who had only to see a head to aim a blow at it, Sir ROBERT BREXON has only to see what he considers a fault to denounce it. Without considering the susceptibilities of others, he points out error almost as if he relishes the job. The type is not uncommon. We have often met it, and always we have noticed how it has missed much that more genial characters receive. It is at least not selfishly calculating. In its blind devotion to accuracy and correctness, it sacrifices all the popularity that a little more suavity would easily secure. At the meetings of the Country Club at Shanghai, Sir ROBERT BREXON was ever a caustic critic. He has lifted up his voice also at the Shanghai Club, when the time came to heckle the committee; and not infrequently at company meetings he has given the directors a bad quarter of an hour. Is that not sufficient to explain some part of the Shanghai hostility to his appointment? It seems to us unnecessary to point out that at a meeting of the Shanghai branch of the China Association there would be members of the Country Club, and one or two directors. Verb. sap. That cantankerousness of his, however, does not necessarily make him a bad Deputy Inspector-General of Customs, and so the China Association will have to produce some grounds for their protest. All we can find in Mr. GUNDY's letter is a mere suggestion that Sir ROBERT BREXON does not enjoy the confidence and esteem of the foreign Legations and of the members of the service itself. It is extremely improbable that anything like a plebiscite can have been taken as to that; and in the absence of such information, Mr. GUNDY was led into making a very sweeping suggestion. He himself admitted in the famous letter that no one was "likely to command the unanimous assent of the many diverse interests concerned." The Customs staff is a cosmopolitan one; the China

Association is British in its aims: can it be that Sir ROBERT BREXON's administration would not be regarded as sufficiently British? It is not unlikely, but then the same criticism has been launched against Sir ROBERT HART, and with equal reason, notwithstanding that Mr. GUNDY makes such a handsome admission of Sir ROBERT HART's commanding personality. On the vexed question of how far the Inspector-General should be pro-British and anti-Chinese it profits not at present to dwell. As a newspaper in a cosmopolitan community, though in a British Colony, our sympathies are inevitably more divided than those of the China Association. Taking the point of view of that Association, however, we cannot help agreeing with numerous other critics, both public and private, that the letter of Mr. GUNDY, and still more the Shanghai telegram, is an indirect error, calculated to alarm the Chinese Government, and to make it more stubborn than ever in insisting upon its right of selecting a man upon whose loyalty to its salt it can depend, as it has been able to depend upon Sir ROBERT HART, who, by the way, has been a sore disappointment to the China Association on many occasions.

Messrs. Bruce, Peablos & Co., of Edinburgh have obtained the contract for the electrification of the Moscow tramways at a cost of £2,000,000.

It is reported from Peking that the Russian Minister has written to the Waiwun asking for permission to establish a Consulate in Uliutai, Mongolia, in order to protect Russian interests there.

Prince Ching and Grand Councillor Yuan Shih-kai are said to be conferring daily about starting local self-government councils in the provinces, in order to prepare the people for the Lower House of Parliament.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased, with the approval of the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Messrs. Breen, A. E. Wood and J. D. Lloyd to be cadets in the Hongkong Civil Service.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinances: No. 12 of 1907, entitled—An Ordinance to amend the Local Communities Ordinance, 1899; and No. 13 of 1907, entitled—An Ordinance to limit the imposition of punishment by public exposure in the stocks.

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Some clothing which was hanging from the verandah of a house in Aberdeen Street attracted the attention of Tam Tung, an unemployed barter, last week, and he decided to have it. He managed to get it down with a bamboo pole, put it on over his own, and was going on his way when the owner rushed out of the house, saw red and handed him over to the police. Tam was charged with larceny before Mr. Gompertz at the Police Court on Saturday and sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

The lock pick seems to be a favourite tool with Chinese burglars just now, for its use during the past few weeks has been frequent, and in most cases successful. It did not benefit Lam Hop, however, as he appeared before Mr. F. A. Hazelland at the Police Court on Saturday on two charges of assault causing bodily harm, and on another charge of burglary. The defendant picked a lock at house No. 69, Des Voeux Road West, entered and gathered together a number of articles which he intended to steal. Before leaving, however, he awakened one of the folk who seized the intruder. A desperate struggle followed in which the defendant used the lock pick as a weapon and inflicted some nasty wounds on the folk's head. The latter called for assistance, and another folk who went to his aid was also seriously cut before they could overpower the burglar. Eventually, however, he was secured and handed over to the police. He pleaded not guilty before the Court, but on the evidence his Worship sentenced him to nine weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Ching-tu* left Manila for this port on the 3rd inst., and is expected here to-day p.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Wakasa Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 3rd inst., and is expected here to-day.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Shao-hing* left Shanghai for this port on the 5th inst., and is expected here on the 8th inst.

The P. & O. str. *Devonka* left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., at 10 a.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 9th inst. at about 7 a.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Kawachi Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst., and is expected here on the 5th inst.

The H.A.L. str. *Shikoku* left Hongkong on the 12th inst., and is expected here on the 15th inst.

The T.K.K. str. *America Maru* sailed from Yokohama on the 5th inst., and will be due here on the 13th inst.

The J.G.M. str. *Prinz Heinrich* carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 12th inst., left Colombo on Saturday, the 4th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 15th inst.

The Indo-China str. *Nansung* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 31st ult., and may be expected here on or about the 16th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Kleist* left Genoa on Saturday, the 4th inst. at 10 a.m.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE HARDEN CASE.

LONDON, January 5th.
Herr Harden has been sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

THE COTTON TRADE.

LONDON, January 5th.
A lockout in the cotton trade is considered probable.

SECOND TEST MATCH.

LONDON, January 5th.
The Australians have compiled 360 runs for the loss of seven wickets. Armstrong's score was 77.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

COUNT OKUMA'S SPEECH.

LONDON, January 2nd.
The Times considers that the Japanese newspapers have incurred a grave responsibility by spreading erroneous versions of Count Okuma's speech at Kobe.

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, January 2nd.
Receivers have been appointed to the Chicago-Milwaukee Electric Co. and the allied concerns, of a capital of \$30,000,000. The Governor of New York State, in his annual message to the Legislature, recommends that whatever restrictions are advisable in the case of Banks should equally apply to Trust Companies. The report of the Superintendent of Banks recommends fixed reserves and a weekly banking statement.

LATER.

Richmond, Virginia reports that a receivership has been appointed to The Seaboard Airline Railway, with a capital of \$70,000,000.

THE BANK RATE.

LONDON, January 2nd.
The Bank rate has been reduced to 6 per cent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC ATLANTIC STEAMER OVERDUE.

LONDON, January 2nd.
Anxiety is felt for the Canadian Pacific steamer *Mount Royal* which left Antwerp on the 7th December for St. Johns, New Brunswick, with 230 passengers and a crew of 90.

THE GERMAN NAVY.

LONDON, January 3rd.
The first German Dreadnought will be launched at the end of February.

THE BRITISH ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 3rd.
The British Antarctic expedition under Lieut. Shackleton, has left Lyttleton for the Antarctic.

THE JAPANESE IN VANCOUVER.

LONDON, January 3rd.
It is reported from Vancouver that one out of three firemen, who were walking in the streets, stumbled and broke the window of a Japanese shop, when a Japanese mob immediately surrounded and overpowered the firemen, all of whom were badly wounded with knives, one it is believed fatally. Four Japanese were arrested.

THE AUSTRALIAN CHINESE RESTRICTION ACT.

LONDON, January 3rd.
The correspondent of the Chronicle in Melbourne wires that the Commonwealth Immigration Commission has unearthed a huge conspiracy to evade the Immigration Restriction Act by smuggling in Chinese. Whites are concerned in the conspiracy, and immense profits have been made.

THE HARDEN CASE.

LONDON, January 3rd.
On the 1st inst. Herr Harden was sentenced to four months' imprisonment. The whole case constituted an absolute reversal of the previous proceedings.

THE BRITISH IN BERLIN.

LONDON, January 3rd.
Sir Frank Lascelles is about to retire from the Embassy in Berlin.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

CRAIGENOWER & MIDDLESEX REST.
The above match was played on Saturday last on the former Club's ground and resulted in a win for Craigenower by 26 runs. Scores:—

MIDDLESEX.	
Major Stevenson, b Evans	25
Capt. Thompson, b Postonji	9
Corpl. Roberts, b Brown	17
Serg. Macdonald, b Evans	5
Pte. Barton, b Lambert, b Brown	5
Lt. Macdonald, b Brown	2
Corpl. Sharpe, b Evans	6
Corpl. Heather, b Evans	3
Lt. Bagley, c Ross, b Brown	1
Pte. Clegg, b Brown	0
Pte. Miles, not out	5
Extras	5
Total	78

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
Brown	15 1 46 5
Postonji	0 3 18 1
Evans	0 2 9 4

CRAIGENOWER.	
J. D. Kincaid, b Sharpe	0
L. E. Lammert, b Barton	32
A. O. Brown, b Sharpe	5
G. Evans, b Sharpe	0
J. D. Brown, b Sharpe	0
Lt. Bagley, c Roberts, b Barton	36
R. Postonji, b Sharpe	9
R. Ross, b Barton	0
L. A. Ross, St. Roberts, b Sharpe	0
H. Rapp, not out	10
F. Rapp, b Sharpe	1
Extras	3
Total	104

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
Sharpe	10 2 58 3
Barton	19 1 43 3

H.K.C.C. "A" v. KOWLOON.

The Kowloon team were signally defeated by the H.K.C.C. "A" on Saturday, the winners having 120 runs to the good after declaring their innings closed for the loss of three wickets. The feature of the match was the splendid batting of Makia who compiled 108 runs, not out.

HONGKONG C.C. "A."	
A. A. Claxton, c Lowe, b Lightfoot	24
W. F. Brewer, b Macaskill	5
H. R. Makin, not out	109
S. Moore, b Macaskill	2
J. H. Chalmers, J. W. Taylor, P. Jacks,	34
J. S. Logan, M. A. David and W. F.	
Swan, did not bat	6
Extras	6
Total	180

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
Macaskill	15 1 65 2 90 63
Lowe	10 0 55 0 80 55
Lightfoot	6 0 23 1 39 23
Day	4 0 10 0 24 19
Harpur	3 0 19 0 18 10

KOWLOON.	
S. Lightfoot, run out	12
Lowe, c Claxton, b Chalmers	10
A. Robinson, b Chalmers	0
H. Tilman, c Taylor, b Brewer	1
F. O. Day, b Chalmers	5
J. Claxton, b Brewer	0
K. Macaskill, b Claxton	15
J. Mack, not out	0
H. Harpur, b Claxton	0
C. Liband, lb. w. Makin	2
H. Clement, run out	8
Extras	8
Total	69

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
Chalmers	8 2 23 3
Brewer	6 1 23 2
Claxton	2 1 4 1
Makin	3 1 4 1

FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "KENT."

An excellent game was witnessed at the Valley on Saturday between these teams, the Club winning by four goals. The players were:—

H.K.F.C.: Chintchen; Ancott and Humphreys; Hall, Weall and Gregory; Williams; Turner, Eager, C. Humphreys and Seyer.

H. M. S. Kent: Menstorth; Board and Kealey; Heath, Bantier and Cole; Westlake, Williams, Garzatt and Lamont.

The Kent opened play, and for a time the leather passed rapidly across the field. Then the sailors besieged the Club's stronghold securing three unproductive corners in quick succession. Some pretty combined play by Turner and Williams carried the leather beyond the danger zone, and then the sailors were forced to defend. Williams attempted a few shots at goal without success, Eager following him and eventually placing one in the net. Redoubting their efforts on the restart the Kents carried play into their opponents' territory, but the superior play of the Club forwards prevailed, and again they were pressing on the sailors' net, but the strong defence of the latter prevented further score before the blowing of the whistle.

Half time: H. K. F. C. 1 goal; H. M. S. Kent, 0.

The opening of the second half saw the Club forwards playing a splendid game, and although the sailors were also seen to advantage they failed to repulse the repeated attacks of the civilians. After turning many shots aside a high one sent in by Gregory beat Menstorth. Eager defeated him again shortly afterwards, and notched the Club's fourth goal from a penalty just before time was called.

Final: H.K.F.C., 4 goals; H. M. S. Kent, 0.

YACHTING.

B.R.K.Y.C.

The sixth race was sailed yesterday in bright weather with a fresh north-east wind. The Course was from Police pier round Trocadero Rock (port), Stonecutters (port), Ashes buoy (port) and home. "Vernon" crossed the line first, "Dione" "Ailsa" and "Alannah" about 20 seconds astern. Reaching jibs were set and "Dione" coming along at a good pace looked as if she was going to pass "Vernon" when a luffing match between these two boats occurred which lasted until Yau-mat was reached. In the meantime "Ailsa" and "Alannah" keeping in the channel were establishing a lead and the mark was rounded by "Ailsa" 1st, "Alannah" 2nd, "Vernon" 3rd, and "Dione," which had got into light winds, 4th. After rounding the buoy "Vernon" with the wind on her quarter soon

overhauled "Alannah" and about half way between the western end of Stonecutters Island and Ashes buoy "Ailsa" was also passed and "Vernon" rounded the buoy about one minute ahead of "Ailsa," "Alannah" 3rd, and "Dione" 4th. On the beat home a good race ensued between "Vernon" and "Ailsa," the latter held her own well, keeping first well out in the tide and then standing more for the north or shore, "Dione" electing to keep more to the south shore in hopes of meeting a southerly blast. "Vernon" however kept her lead and crossed the line first, but "Ailsa" with her time allowance of two minutes won easily, "Dione" finishing 3rd, and "Alannah" 4th.

The times were:—

	h.	m.	s.
Vernon	2	0	0
Ailsa	2	0	47
Dione	2	1	20
Alannah	2	10	10

The marks in this class now are:—

	h.	m.	s.
Dione	18		
Vernon	17		
Ailsa	17		
Alannah	6		

In the one design class "Kathleen" won from "Colleen," "Bonito" being third, and "Min" fourth.

The times of finishing were:—

	h.	m.	s.
Kathleen	2	10	32
Colleen	2	11	21
Bonito	2	15	00
Min	2	24	02

CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB.

GRAHAM CUP.

In the race for the Graham Cup (handicap class) sailed yesterday, the following boats started, and crossed the line under: "Carress," "Dorothy," "Eva," and "Doreen." The Tremors, "drifted on to one of the dolphins at the Oil Co's works before the start, and received sufficient damage to make it impossible for her to take part in the race. The course was from a line at Fenwick's new works to Trocadero Rock (port), North Fairway Buoy (port) and Kowloon Rock (starboard). "Eva," was first round the Trocadero Rock, "Carress" second, "Dorothy" third and "Doreen" fourth. The position was the same at the North Fairway Buoy, where "Doreen" dropped a little to the rear. On the beat home "Eva" and "Dorothy" took the Hongkong shore, while "Carress" took the Kowloon side and "Doreen" the mid channel. The better judgment proved to be with the crew of the "Dorothy," who passed "Carress" at Tsimshatsai Point and rounded Kowloon Rock two minutes ahead. "Carress" was seven minutes ahead of "Doreen," while "Eva" gave up. On the run to the mark "Carress" gained considerably on the leader, but could not overtake her, and the race finished as follows:—

	h.	m.	s.
Dorothy	1	1	0
Carress	1	1	50
Doreen	1	6	0

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

In the one design class for the Commodore's Cup ten boats started on the following course: Trocadero Rock (port), North Fairway Buoy (port). A good start was partially spoiled by a junk getting across the starting line. "Athore," and "Joan," were first away, being followed by "Ariel," and "Spray," with the remainder of the starters close up. At the ferry wharf "Athore" had a lead of two or three lengths, "Spray," running second and "Joan" third. On the run to the mark "Joan" displaced "Spray," and the yachts rounded the mark in the following order:—"Athore," "Joan," "Spray," "Gael," "Nina," "Ariel," "Doria," "Theola," "Meta," and "Fas." On the reach to the Fairway Buoy "Athore," increased her lead, and "Ariel," "Meta," "Doria" and "Theola" passed. "Gael" it was now a dead heat to windward to the winning line. All the boats except "Gael" kept to mid channel. She chose the Kowloon side, and the wisdom of the choice was soon evident as she passed all the fleet except "Athore," the finish being in the following order:—

send	following order :—							
were	Asthore	...	...	...	12	55	90	
few	Gael	...	...	...	1	1	03	
	Doria	...	...	...	1	2	10	

EVOLUTION OF HONGKONG.

[Written for the Hongkong Daily Press.]

(Continued from last Monday)

XV.

In England the Canton incident had a curious and unexpected effect. It sort of set the pacifist-minded self-styled philosophic radicals from the mass of the nation still sound, and by a strange coincidence brought together Lord Derby, the Conservative leader and Cobden the most intractable of the new freetraders. Lord Palmerston was challenged in both Houses, and defeated in the Commons. Instead of resigning he appealed to the country, at the same time quietly continuing his preparations. The result was to replace him in power with a larger majority than before. Meanwhile the war in China went on. China made even a worse stand than in the previous fight; Canton was taken with little loss on either side, and the boastful Yeh was ignominiously sent a prisoner to Calcutta and the City placed under an allied Commission, the French having joined in the war. No more incapable agent than Lord Elgin was, probably, ever employed on a mission of national importance, but the conduct of the Chinese at last did what Elgin would never have done had he found a monstrosity to creep out of. He dawdled irresolutely at Canton, quarrelling with every one, merchant or official indifferently, protesting against the job he had undertaken to accomplish, yet without the pluck to throw it over. The more truculent of the officials seeing they could do so with impunity recommenced the old style of brutal interference, and openly set about drilling their braves, while the old system of cutting off stragglers from the garrison was revived. The Canton officials at last ordered all Chinese subjects at Hongkong to leave; and proceeded, as in the old days, to cut off supplies, which compelled Sir John Bowring to take the affair into his own hands greatly to Elgin's obloquy. At last finding that the other plenipotentiaries who had been sent out by the European Powers had made up their mind to go north to Peking, if necessary, Elgin with bad grace made up his mind to go there too. The season was too late for operating that year, so the expedition had to be postponed till the spring, when at last it got off.

Then at last, early in the spring of 1858, it started, and went up to the Gulf of Peobli: here the Taku Forts at the entrance of the Peiho, thought impregnable by the Chinese Government, were captured, and Elgin went on to Tientsin. His orders were to settle affairs at Peking itself for which he had sufficient force, but the Court being now thoroughly frightened, sent down in hot haste its Commissioners to stop him. With his usual shilly-shally Lord Elgin permitted himself to be talked over. The treaty was not of Elgin's construction, although he characteristically remarked "any fool could have made it," but had been written out in the Foreign Office, so that he had not the opportunity of tampering with it, or the result would probably have been a disaster. Impatient to get away to Japan, where he would have no governors nor merchants to trouble him, he had not the address to hide his indifference, but let it be seen by the Chinese officers, who took advantage of it to scold the minister who felt proud when on the 26th June, 1858, the instrument was at last signed, and as he fancied done with, whereupon with almost indignant haste he betook himself to Japan without going to Peking; the chief point detailed in his instructions. The treaty, it is true, contained the stipulation that in future there should be a Minister in residence at the Capital, but Elgin, though he dared not leave it out, showed plainly that so far as he was concerned he cared not a jot for it. Besides stipulating for the residence of the minister in Peking, the treaty also provided for the opening of three ports about the Gulf of Peobli; it might have contained almost anything for all the Chinese signatories cared, they had no intention of keeping it, and so were equally indifferent with the Plenipotentiary.

As for Canton, while all this solemn farce was being enacted with Lord Elgin as pantaloons, the Allied commissioners, with Sir Kew as figure-head continued nominally to rule the City; the real ruler was, however, Hwang, a new appointee of the Emperor as Viceroy of the two Kwang, who held court at Fatsan a few miles off; and was almost ostentatiously raising a new force for the recapture of the City. The great object of annoyance there to these patriots was the presence of Sir Harry Parkes, and Hwang had the temerity to offer 30,000 dollars for his head. When in the autumn Lord Elgin returned to Shanghai after this pleasure trip in Japan, he for the first time commenced to realise that he had been made a fool of. The Imperial Commissioners had not arrived, and had to be sent for; and when they did come he found that their real intention was to seek a way of escape from their engagements. When he got down to Canton, he found his new treaty openly sneered at, and the new Viceroy, preparing to renew the war. Elgin sought his old way of smoothing over affairs, and even went so far as to utter some feeble threat; but to little effect till at last the troops were set in motion with a marked improvement in the friendliness of the relations. Still it was not till a very sharp rebuke came from Downing Street that the weak-kneed plenipotentiary could be got to stand on his feet, and then only by fits and starts. Amongst other instances of his incapacity for comprehending the position he had permitted the Imperial Commissioners to reopen the question of the residence of the Minister at Peking, and had not only permitted the question to be reopened, but had actually agreed to move his Government on the subject. With a

fatuousness only to be paralleled by Sir J. Davis's postponement of the right of entry into Canton, and with the result of this act of weakness apparent in his own presence, he had substituted for the right of residence a homely. The result, which a wiser man could have foreseen without the necessity of putting it to the test of experiment, followed a few months later.

(To be continued next Monday.)

THE REVIEWER TO "D.R.C."

Dear Sir (or Madam).—When Messrs. Kelly and Walsh Ltd. sent me your handsome volume, "Lui Sing, and other stories," and I ran its pages kinematographically under my dexter thumb, I anticipated an easy task, and one not repugnant to my kindly nature. It seemed to be light reading of the talkative order, with numerous local allusions to give it extra interest. Now that I have read it through, I am at some loss what to say. I want to compliment you, for it is an unusually clever production, for an amateur, but isn't it—well, just a little unsavoury? As you see by my style of address, I am in doubt as to your sex. You are either a very young man or a very old woman. Only a very young man would speak so confidently of feminine psychology, and it puzzles me to guess how a woman could know so much about Far Eastern haunts of vice. A woman with an indifferently communicative husband and a lively imagination might have described them as you do. Certainly no man of experience would expect to find such lovely and lovable heroines in such queer places, and yet that man would never argue from the wife's point of view just as you have done. You are American—that much is obvious. How did you write these stories? Did you first outline the plots, or did they just develop themselves in your mind? I hardly think you ever saw them, or you might not have written them, especially "They Two."

A married lady makes an unnecessary appointment with her husband's false friend on Bowen Road, merely to tell him that unless he showed more ardour, she would take the next steamer home. Why didn't she invite him to tea, as usual? Her husband was a trustful man. It was very compromising to have those two chairs standing so far away from the rendezvous. "Lui Sing" was the half-caste mistress of the husband, and also of the husband's doubly false friend. She was a secret agent of the Russian Government. Do you really think such secrecy was needed in Hongkong, especially as your Russian spy was so careless in India? The interlarded story of the wife's friends in Paris is not good art, you know, in a short story. It switches off the interest too much. That is rather a frequent fault in your stories, by the way. Lui Sing goes to India, map collecting for the Russian government, I suppose, and the wife's lover and husband's false friend follow and marries her. The husband in Hongkong and the wife in Paris grow homesick. She telegraphs, after receiving an explanatory letter from the half-caste enchantress, and husband and wife have a happy re-union, forgetting and forgiving the past. Sounds rather silly, condensed, does it not? I fear you will not forgive me, even though I mention that your descriptions are excellent.

"Dices Dail" is another half-caste, and again she is—well, not a good woman. She, too, is in Russian pay, and she is, oh, so lovely. So is the Pearl, her neighbour in the unmentionable street. The white man was not really Dices's pupa; it turned out to be an Indian prince, Lui Sing turns up again, widowed, but still a map collector, and the three love affairs and the unravelling of Dices's paragraph make the story. Study de Manpassant, Bret Harte, or Poe on the construction of short stories, dear "D.R.C.," and try again. "They Two," as I said before, is simply unthinkable when boiled down. Helen Arkwright arrives in Hongkong to be a governess. Instead of going straight to her new place, she goes to the Victoria Hotel, and while standing on the balcony, catches the eye of a Chinaman who looks up at her from the street below. "He was tall and stately," that Chinaman, said Helen, "stared, flushed, and then drew back into the shadow of one of the pillars." But it was too late. The mischief was done. "Al-must fainting with the emotion," she realised that there was the real reason for coming to Hongkong. She "felt the recognition between their two souls," and when later he saw her on the Canton boat, and said "Will you come to me dear heart?" dear heart got into a sump, and went to live with him at Macao. Their children—but that's enough of "They Two." Dear Sir (or Madam) don't you feel a little ashamed?

"His double" is positively humorous. I has caught something of the special wit of Monsieur de Kook. The lady's apartment is too frankly catalogued, and the point comes when the Hongkong officer meets her elsewhere with a small child. He regrets his treatment, and wishes to put things right, the last motif of his proposal being Adelphe—"mea chee-oh-oh." Not so fast, says the lady. Don't you remember that in your company there was "a man in the ranks" whom you sent chits by. His resemblance to you was remarkable. Dear Sir (or Madam) don't you think that is just a little—? But makee. The last is, "the undoing of Miss Melitabla." I don't know what you mean by the title, I'm sure. There is no story to condense. One simply reads of a lady missionary at Amoy whose amah had not the best of references, and who (the lady) eventually tearfully accepts a male missionary's hand in holy matrimony.

As I said before, I don't know what to say of your stories. If you don't mind, I think I'd rather not recommend my readers to buy them. You will write more someday, and better ones, I'm sure. Till then, dear "D.R.C." believe me, &c. &c.

THE REVIEWER.

TABAC CHANTANT.

Although the attendance at the Talmichael Police Station on Saturday night was not so large as in former years, the hospitality was on the same lavish scale, the Policemen sitting up to the legend on a picture which has long hung on a wall in the detective office, "He careth for you." Certainly the Police made admirable hosts on Saturday night, the guests who attended at the Water Police Station being made to feel thoroughly "at home." Mr. Inspector had cast off for the nonce his official cloak, welcomed the guests, wished them a happy new year, and ushered them into a prettily decorated parlour where there were others to take care of them. The musical programme was a lengthy one and, needless to say, encores were general. After an opening overture Mr. Jury sang "The Gondolier" to the pleasure of his hearers. Mr. J. Aybaud also pleased with his song "To-morrow will be Friday." "The Dandies" was well portrayed by Mr. Leggett, and then Mr. Leckie came on with one of his old songs, "When I woke up in the morning," the comedian being favoured with the warm reception with which his audiences have always greeted him. Later he scored again with a new comic song "Billy Muggins." Mr. Gegg as the Whistling Coon and plantation dancer was warmly received and Mr. Clarke's new and illustrated version of an old story about the house that Jack built caused much amusement. In a second song later, "They parted on the shore," the same singer also received a flattering ovation. An Oboe solo by Mr. Timmes, skilfully executed, was much appreciated, and so was Mr. Carter's rendering of "The Music Teacher." Mr. Hutchison, another clever comic singer, made his first appearance before a Hongkong audience and should be pleased with the reception accorded him after his singing of "In Society" and "When I was in the Army." The first part of the programme was conducted by Messrs. Jury and Leckie who were loudly applauded for their localised comic duet "Of Course." Mr. Polling sang "The finest voice on earth," a song in which his fine voice was heard to advantage. Mr. Worcester amused his hearers by telling them the revised version of the story of Jack and Jill (perhaps the wildest sketch of the evening) and after a number of the former performers had again obliged, Mr. Leckie brought an enjoy able evening to a close with his old and appreciated impromptu song "Items of the Day." A word of praise to the promoters is now all that remains to be said. That they worked hard in arranging such a really enjoyable treat is well understood, and that their efforts were appreciated was obvious. The committee were Messrs. J. H. Korr (president and chairman), C. Bird (Secretary), Sutton, Jackson, Caygill, Langley, Clarke, Irvine, Nundy, O'Connor, Edwards, Wilden, Davis, Gallagher, Garner, Hedge and Pincoff.

KULANGSU (AMOY) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council, held at the Board Room, on the 17th December 1907. Present: Messrs. W. H. Wallace (Chairman), C. A. V. Brown, A. F. Cardiner, Hwang T'san-shew, W. Kruss, S. Okuyama, the Health Officer and the Secretary.

1. The minutes of the last meeting are read and confirmed.
2. The list of persons qualified to vote at public meetings of ratepayers is read and approved.
3. The tenders for the 1908 Night Soil Contract are opened and considered. Subject to satisfactory references being given, the tender of Ong Bong Kak for \$3000 is accepted.
4. The Superintendent of Police reports the following cases have been dealt with at the Mixed Court since the last meeting:—

—Allowing pigs to stray, 4; contempt of Court, 1; assault, 3; quarrying stone to the danger of the public, 1; breach of contract, 1; throwing rubbish into public drain, 2; debt, 1.

5. A summary of arrests. 1. man-labourer, 1. breach of sump regulations, 1. breach of slaughter house regulations, 1. buying meat for human consumption well knowing it to be unfit for human food, 1. attempting to obtain the Municipal seal to meat not slaughtered in the Municipal slaughter house, 1. being in possession of stolen property, 1.

(Signed) W. H. WALLACE, Chairman.
By order, C. BENKELEY MITCHELL, Secretary.

BISHOP LANDER'S NEW YEAR ADDRESS.

At the City Hall last night his Lordship the Bishop of Victoria delivered a New Year's address. He was supported on the stage by a number of clergy, and by Mr. Amos P. Wilder the U.S. Consul-General, who acted as chairman. Mr. Wilder in his opening address made a touching reference to the late lamented Bishop Hoare, telling how the late Bishop, when he saw that all was over, knelt on the deck and prayed, and remarking that if we ransacked the pages of recorded heroism, much of it would pale before the story told by Bishop Hoare's Chinese servants.

His Lordship, the Bishop, after an opening prayer, remarked that it was not the first time he had spoken in a theatre. We should rejoice to know that while we had special places of worship our God was not confined to them. We were on the threshold of the year 1908 and were wishing each other happiness and prosperity. The way to get that happiness was to remember the lines "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." That was the secret of happiness; the secret of peace within; and the secret of satisfaction. A great many people were not in earnest about this life, saying that they had not time to think of the Kingdom of God because life was so strenuous nowadays; but of all flimsy excuses these were the most flimsy. Our first business was not to get money; to get on in the world; or to get a good position. It was to glorify God. We should seek first God's kingdom. That should be done before everything.

NEW CHINESE RAILWAYS.

An engineering correspondent of the Times writes:—It is now some years since a series of preliminary agreements were entered into for the construction of various lines of railway in China with the aid of British capital, and under the superintendence of British engineers. These railways were the Shanghai-Nanking, the Tientsin-Yang-tze, the Lin-Kwai-Quan-Singang, the Su-chau-Hang-chau-Ning-po, and the Canton-Hongkong lines. Some years were occupied in making surveys and in carrying the negotiations through to a definite issue, and it was not until 1903 that the final agreement for one of these lines, the Shanghai-Nanking, was signed, and the work of construction put in hand.

The total length of this line is nearly 200 miles, of which 150 miles from the Shanghai end are now open for traffic, while it is expected that the remaining mileage into Nanking will be completed by July next. The route selected for the chief waterways, which have hitherto been the main arteries of transport. Starting from Shanghai, the line first follows the course of the Su-chau creek, thence for a considerable mileage it runs alongside the Grand Canal, and from Chinkiang to Nanking it runs parallel to the Yang-tze. The advantages of following the main waterways are quite obvious; as the waterways act as feeders to the railway, but the character of the country is responsible for a vast amount of bridge work between Shanghai, Su-chau, and Wushih, the latter being 8 miles distant from Shanghai. On this route the line is continually crossing the tributary streams of the main waterways, and the Grand Canal itself has to be bridged in several places. Between Shanghai and Su-chau there are 111 bridges for 50 miles of track, and between Shanghai and Wushih there are 171 bridges, representing an average of over two bridges per mile. In connection with this bridge work it should be borne in mind that the bridges had to be designed to give sufficient width and load-room for the sailing junks which form the major portion of the water traffic. The most important of the bridges is that crossing the Grand Canal at a point 137 miles from Shanghai. This bridge has three girder spans of 60ft., two others at Su-chau have skew spans of 64ft., each, with two approach arches of 20ft., and a third bridge, at Quinan, has two approach arches on either side of the 30ft. span, and four girder spans of 40ft.

Beyond Wushih the line runs through undulating country, as far as Chinkiang, and beyond Chinkiang a range of hills has to be traversed. Here is situated the only tunnel on the line, some 485 yards in length. From thence to Nanking the route followed will involve a good deal of heavy earthwork and cuttings through the hills flanking the Yang-tze Valley. At Nanking the Yang-tze river crosses the further progress of the line, although Pootung, the Southern terminus of the projected Tientsin railway, will be on the opposite bank. The river, this is a difficult, wide and deep, and would be very difficult to bridge, going to the want of foundations for piers. In these circumstances a steam-ferry-boat to establish communication with the Tientsin railway being mooted.

As will be gathered from the foregoing description, there are no heavy gradients on the Shanghai Nanking railway; the heaviest being 1 in 150. The line, the estimated price for which was 23,000 per mile excluding land, is constructed on standard English gauge, single track, and is laid with Darrah sleepers, and 55lb. rails. It is in every respect a first class track on which speeds of 60 miles per hour can be safely employed. Although the line is at present single-track, it should be noted that the banking and bridges from Shanghai to Su-chau have been constructed for a double line of railway. The locomotives, rolling stock, and track are the work of English engineers, Messrs. Robert Stephenson and Co. having built the passenger engines and the North British Locomotive Company the goods locomotives, the parts of which are, however, in many respects, interchangeable. The rolling stock is to a large extent the work of the Metropolitan Amalgamated Railway Carriage and Wagon Company.

From Shanghai there was an existing short line of some 14 miles to Woosung, and this line has been amalgamated with the Shanghai-Nanking railway, and for this purpose reconstructed. At Woosung completely equipped railway shops have been erected for the manufacture of rolling stock and for repairs to locomotives. An electric power-house supplies current to the railway shop for both light and motive power. The rolling stock is to be of the highest standard, and in construction and equipment, but it is anticipated that, quite apart from the probable low cost of repairs and renewals the actual outlay on construction will be within the estimate. The consulting engineers are Sir John Wolfe Barry and Mr. A. J. Barry.

With regard to other railways, for which preliminary agreements were signed, the only one which has yet emerged from the stage of negotiation is the Canton-Kowloon Railway, although it is hoped that the agreement with the Su-chau-Hang-chau-Ning-po and the Tientsin-Yang-tze railways will be shortly signed. Difficulties have arisen owing to the progressive movement in China, which aims at the control of its own railways, and concessions have had to be made, and may in the future have to be made in still greater measure, to popular opinion. The Canton-Kowloon line, the final surveys for which are now being made, will have a total length of about 125 miles. For the first 50 miles the route to be followed is parallel with the River, and there will be a bridge work across this river and its tributaries. One bridge over the main East River will be some 1,200 ft. in length, and another over a branch of this river will be 1,000 ft. in length. After passing Shikling the line will run through very hilly country up to the frontier, and the final survey for this section of the route are not yet complete. The last 21 miles beyond the frontier are in British territory, and this end of the line is being constructed by the Hongkong Government. The work on this section is exceedingly busy, involving the reclamation of a large area at Hongkong, a tunnel, 2,416 yards long, through a range of granite hills, and a good deal of heavy banking and cutting. The Shanghai-Nanking Canton-Kowloon and the Su-chau-Hang-chau-Ning-po lines are being constructed under the auspices of the British and Chinese Corporation. The Tientsin-Yang-tze and the Lin-Kwai-Quan-Singang are being built by the Chinese Central Railways, an organization in which the British and Chinese Corporation and the Peking Syndicate are equally interested.

There are many other railways projected in China at the present time. The most important of these is the Hankow-Canton railway, a great trunk line of about 80 miles in length, which is to be a continuation of the Peking-Hankow line. Many of the new lines projected are to be built by the Chinese Government, and in the case of some of them definite steps have been taken. Those which appear likely to materialise are a railway from the port of Kiating in the province of Nanchang, from the port of Wuchang on the Yangtze to Ning-Kuo-Fu, and Cuangte Chou, with the intention of connecting with the Su-chau-Hang-chau-Ning-po line at Hu-chou-Fu, and a railway from Shanghai to Kashiung.

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TIN MINING IN CHINA.

The Mining Journal says:—Some particulars are given in the recently published sections of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs returns which supplement the particulars published in our issue of July 13 last, in regard to the tin production of China last year. The export from the Mengtze district of Yunnan, the only producing field of any importance of which we know, was 65,946 pikuls, against 74,972 pikuls in 1905. Despite the record price of tin, lack of water and scarcity of labour restricted production. It may seem somewhat curious that scarcity of labour should be experienced in China, but this was due to the increased cost of the necessities of life super-added to the high cost of transport, which latter necessarily added considerably to the general level of prices, as pack transport of several days' duration is requisite to reach the mines. Thus even the high prices obtained for tin failed to equalise the increased wages demanded, and many miners are said to have gone elsewhere to try their luck. In connection with the Tonkin Yunnan Railway, which it is hoped will be completed as far as Mongtze by next midsummer, it is stated that the cost of living and transport has doubled within the last four years. The freight from Mongtze to Haiphong, the port of shipment, last year was \$81, or (say) 26 5/8, per ton. Beside the output from Mongtze, the following small quantities of tin from the undermentioned ports appear in the export return: Wuchow, 918 pikuls; Kowloon, 189 pikuls; Hankow, 97 pikuls; and Swatow, 16 pikuls. Each item, however, do not necessarily indicate anything more than re-shipments, and in any case are too inconsiderable to be worth attention. In the past, practically all of the Mongtze tin was shipped to Hongkong, whence it is distributed abroad and through China, though last year 3,390 pikuls was consigned to French territory. Of the 36,257 pikuls imported into China last year, 31,758 pikuls were shipped from Hongkong, the balance coming from the Straits Settlements. A brief account of the tin smelting industry in Hongkong is given by Sir Alexander Hoole in a recent consular report. There are apparently four native refineries in Hongkong where Mongtze tin is landed. The metal is imported in sacks of 2 lb. by 1 ft. by 1 in., and it is of three qualities, the third of which is very impure frequently carrying 20 per cent. of lead. According to the smelter's figures, refining increased the value of the metal from \$95 or \$97 to \$100 per pikul, which, if we consider the lessened bulk of the refined product, and the cost of the operation, seems to represent the Chinese refiner as easily satisfied; but possibly there are "allowances" in China as elsewhere. The slabs are melted in iron or pans; about 3 feet by 1 ft. with wood fuel; an iron cylinder, a foot in diameter, is placed in the centre of each pan, rising to a little above the sides, and in this the metal is tossed and skimmed, and finally ladled into moulds giving an ingot of 85 catties, or 113-1/2 lbs. The skimmings and dross are then treated with oil, coal in a small blast furnace, and the product added to the refining pans, the slags being sold to Shanghai. The capacity of the largest of the works is about 8 tons of refined metal a day. In view of the large estimates of tin production which have been attributed to China (Prof. Carey Lewis in his "Production of Tin" mentions 10,000 to 20,000 tons per annum), the figures given above are certainly instructive. Sir Alexander Hoole, whose investigations of Chinese commercial resources are well known, in the consular report above referred to, is unable to indicate any other sources of production on a commercial scale, and it would seem doubtful, therefore, whether anything of the kind at present exists. It is also noticeable how greatly Chinese consumption has declined even in the last four years: thus the declared imports in 1905 are given as 7,215 pikuls and the exports as 41,833 pikuls indicating an excess of consumption of 28,332 pikuls; while last year with an output increased to 68,168 pikuls, the imports were only 36,122 pikuls. The Chinese may, of course, have to find substitutes for tin, though with their conservative ideas we do not think this very likely; or the country's purchasing power may have been crippled in recent years, though the great export speculations of 1904 and 1905 seem to negative this idea; or, thirdly, the tin that appears to be the more probable explanation of the position that the merchants found it more profitable in the recent era of high prices to draw on the large stocks of old metal which must exist in the country in the form of bronze and other alloys, and wait for a fall in values rather than buy new metal. If this be the case, Chinese buying might be expected to recur with the lower prices that we are now witnessing.

KAISER'S EFFIGY BURNT.

GERMAN CONSUL EXPELLED FROM HIS HOTEL.

Vienna, December 2.
The Emperor William's effigy was burnt last evening in Lemberg in front of the hotel where the German Consul was staying.

Crowds of Polish students from the university and other Poles held a violent demonstration in the Reichstag that Germany will continue the drastic policy of Frederick the Great and Prince Bismarck for the Germanisation of Poland.

Violent speeches were made, and the demonstrators, carrying the Kaiser's effigy, then marched in procession to the Consul's hotel, where, amid loud cheering, they set the effigy alight.

The Consul was threatened, and the mob demanded that he should be expelled from the hotel. As they received no answer they proceeded to smash the windows.

The proprietor then appeared and promised that he would give the Consul notice to quit. This pacified the demonstrators, who dispersed without doing further damage.

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AN INTERNATIONAL MONETARY CONFERENCE.

The monetary crisis now bearing so heavily upon Europe and America has suggested to the well-known economist, Signor Luigi Luzzatti, late Italian Minister of the Treasury, an article entitled "Proposal for an International Conference for Monetary Peace." This article was published recently in the "Nouveau Presse" of Vienna, and it has been widely reproduced and favourably commented upon by the financial periodicals of Europe. Signor Luzzatti believes that such a Conference should only be better results than the Hague Peace Conference, because none of the States represented would make any objection to improving their economical condition by reciprocation with other countries, and the technical men appointed would be glad to contribute with their advice to the success of a question which has great influence on the political balance of the world.

The first result of the conference, according to the writer, would be to show that the privilege enjoyed by certain Banks in different countries of issuing notes contributes directly to every monetary crisis. Supposing for example that the United States had but one great bank privileged to issue banknotes, like the one in Switzerland, the probability of a monetary crisis would be greatly reduced, and recurring difficulties more readily overcome. If the economic customs of the States render this idea impossible, the alternative is to bring all National Banks of America into simpler co-ordination with the Treasury and to make them more pliable as instruments of circulation. At the present time millions of dollars are withdrawn from circulation at the moment when they are most needed.

The Bank of England also is ruled by an obsolete legislation which greatly limits the gold basis. The remedy is a multiply metallic currency in various deposit banks and thus give more flexibility to the circulation. In this way only, the Bank of England can avoid the necessity of accepting continual assistance from outside.

The first task of the conference would be to revise the connexion between State Banks and Treasuries. The second would be to examine the present system of gold loans among State Banks and the settlement of foreign gold bills of exchange. In order to prevent sudden rises in the bank rate banks privileged to issue notes might make agreements for mutual loans in case of want. Such loans, which are nowadays exceptional, might become regular in the future. A permanent International Committee would be appointed representative of universality of monetary circulation. In this connection it is noted that the present Latin Monetary League between Belgium, France, Italy, Switzerland and Greece has done good work in those countries. Signor Luzzatti suggests that Austria and Italy, as the two European nations least interested in this question, should take the initiative by appointing a mixed commission of technical men, who should first go to Paris to enlist French sympathy which, as France is the largest monetary market of the world, is absolutely essential for the success of such an undertaking. The movement would probably be welcomed in the best French financial circles. The writer concludes by pointing out, with justice, that the solution of present and further difficulties by peaceful organic means will have far happier results than the perpetual struggle for the conquest of gold.—N. C. Daily News.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 55 of the Probates Ordinance 1897 made an Order limiting to the 31st day of January, 1908, for sending in Claims against the above Estate. All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned before the said date.

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BEKANNTMACHUNG.

Die amtlichen Veröffentlichungen des Reichs-Konsulats in Hongkong werden im Jahre 1908 durch den "OSTASIATISCHEN LLOYD" und die "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" erfolgen.

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Swatan, den 27. Dezember 1907. 155

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, on FRIDAY, the 10th January 1908, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 7, "The Haystack," The Peak, THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE THEREIN CONTAINED.

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NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM OTTO CHRISTIAN SPALCKHAVER has been authorized to Sign the name of our Firm per procuration from This Date.

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NOTICE.

WE have this Day OPENED a BRANCH of our Firm at CANTON and authorised Mr. EUDOLF LENZ to Sign per procuration.

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NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of Mr. ARMIN HAUFF ceased by mutual consent on the 31st December, 1907. Messrs. GUSTAV FRIESLAND and ADOLF WIDMANN have been admitted PARTNERS from This Date.

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NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

MR. C. MONTAGUE EDE has been appointed SECRETARY of the Society from the 1st January, 1908.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

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NOTICE.

THE Business that has been hitherto carried on by the undersigned, will henceforward be carried on under the style and name of J. R. MICHAEL & CO. The Partners in the Firm are myself and Mr. S. H. MICHAEL.

J. R. MICHAEL.

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NOTICE.

MR. JOHANN GEORG LUDWIG SCHROETER having retired from our Firm, his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December, 1907.

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

MAPPING SOILS—THE LATEST DRUG HABIT—
INSECTS AND GERMS OF THE LAND'S SUR-
FACE—POISON FARMING—CONSUMPTION
FROM BIRD FEES—ANT PERCEPTION—A
REMARKABLE HEAT GOVERNOR—THE WOOD-
COCK'S EARS—SNOW ON ROOFS.Soil surveys were begun in the United States
in 1899 and by June 31, 1906, according to J.
A. Bonstedt, an aggregate of 118,686 square
miles, or 75,959,365 acres, had been mapped in
43 States and 4 Territories, this being about
one twenty-fifth of the whole country and a
little less than one tenth of the land actually in
farms. The field work of survey consists in
determining the texture, structure, quantity
and distribution of organic matter, internal
natural drainage and topographic relief of the
soils. Closely similar areas are classed in the
same soil type, several types differing only in
texture or degree of coarseness or fineness form
a series, and several series of similar origin and
climatic and other conditions constitute a
province. At present 12 great soil provinces,
58 soil series, and 461 soil types have been
recognized. The Norfolk sand, a warm, porous
soil adapted to truck crops, has been mapped
over 266,000 square miles in 54 areas of 14 Eastern
States; and the Marshall silt loam, nearly all
especially suitable for corn, has been mapped
over 612,000 square miles of 23 areas in 9 States—
a great area being still unmapped.A new intoxication masquerade society has been
brought to notice through Dr. McKendrick of
the University of Glasgow. Carbon tetrachloride,
a colorless, non-inflammable liquid differing
but slightly from chloroform in composition and
having similar anesthetic effects, is a safe
clothes cleansing material, and of late has
been used as a "dry shampoo." Its danger has
been made known by a lady who struggled to
keep consciousness under the shampoo. The
hairdresser affirmed that the effects are liked,
and a carbon tetrachloride habit seems to be
developing.An estimate of March and November bird-
food near Washington has shown 1,216,800
animal objects and 2,07,810 seeds per acre in
forests, and 13,657,710 animals and 33,822,745
seeds per acre in meadows.One of the strangest as well as most costly
articles of commerce is snake-venom, for which
there is a growing demand in medicine and
other branches of science. The supply comes
from Australia, and a recent Sydney quotation
placed the market price at 20 to 25 shillings
per grain, or about \$30,000 per pound Troy.
no attempt seeming to have been made hitherto
to distinguish between the poison of snakes
whose bite is usually fatal and that from reptiles
that seldom kill. Dr. Tidswell, of the New
South Wales Health Department states that
the venoms are now being assayed. Laboratory
experiments place the tiger-snake venom first,
as it is 16 times as deadly as that of the
black snake and four times as powerful as that
from the brown snake or the death-adder.
In average yield at a bite, the death-adder
supplies three times as much as the tiger snake
and 17 times as much as the brown snake. So
far the snakes have been mostly captured by
hand, to avoid loss of poison, and, at even
greater personal risk, have been held in the head
while being ejected and made to bite through a
rubber-band, or jutting upon a glass plate the
venom from the two poison-fangs in the upper
jaw. Each snake has supplied the material
from one bite, averaging about a grain. A
new discovery is that the supply in the fangs is
renewed, and in future snake farmers may
"milk" the poison from well-kept reptiles every
two days for an indefinite period.A serious risk of tuberculosis from pet birds
is alleged by Dr. Tucker Wise of Montreux,
who records 33 cases of apparent infection, with
other evidences from eminent physicians. The
life of caged birdlike canaries, pigeons and
parrots—especially favors tuberculous disease,
and the fluttering of their wings and the action
of flies readily convey infection to the family.
As 400,000 canary birds are sold in England
yearly, the influence upon public health is
believed to be important.Ants have been proven so sensitive to
temperature, in late experiments of O. C.
Silverlock, that they detected a change of a
thirtieth of a degree Centigrade. He thinks
ultra-violet rays, which they avoid, appear to
them as a color unknown to human beings.The "Sylphon Rhythm" of W. M. Fulton,
of Knoxville, Tenn., is a novel kind of head
motor, which expands and collapses through
several inches, and is claimed to control the heart
from a furnace more effectively than any electric
thermostat, while lacking the troublesome
defects of the latter. The apparatus takes the
form of a vessel of flexible metal, with slides
deeply folded, like those of a bellows. It is
hermetically sealed, and contains a small
quantity of volatile liquid, the vapor of which
in expanding and contracting gives a change in
pressure of half a pound per square inch for
every degree of temperature. As the end
wall of the vessel has an area of 30 square
inches, each degree of variation in the atmo-
sphere changes the internal pressure 15 pounds.
This pressure of one degree of heat lengthens
the vessel half an inch, and moves the controlling
dampness of the heater four inches. The
regulator can be set to operate at any tem-
perature between 55 deg. and 80 deg. F.The ears of birds are being specially studied
by W. P. Pyraft, at the South Kensington
Museum, as a result of the curious discovery of
Charles Whympere, the British artist. The ear
is usually behind the eye, but the snipe has
been known to have the opening just beneath
the eye, and now it is found that the
woodcock has the aperture below and in frontof the eye. It is further noted that the opening
on one side of the head is considerably larger
than that on the other side, slightly different
in shape, and somewhat farther forward.The snow load of roofs, which has been lately
investigated by S. de Perrot of Neuenburg,
Switzerland, proves to be a very dense mass
after repeated falls, followed by thawing and
freezing. In several instances the weight was
36 to 39 pounds per cubic foot and the thickness
24 to 32 inches—thus giving a load of 70 to 100
pounds per square foot, which is three or four
times the usual calculation.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich George & Co. say in their weekly
share report dated 4th January, 1907:—We
have a little more business to report this week,
although New Year's holidays have interfered.
The new year has opened with a slightly better
feeling and a few stocks have improved already.
The money market in London is much easier,
which enabled the Bank of England to reduce
the rate of discount from 7 to 6 per cent., and
the market rate of discount is also lower, being
quoted 5 per cent. The sterling demand rate
of exchange on London closes at 1s. 10-5/8,
while rates on Shanghai are 1s. 7-1/4 for Bank
T/T and 1s. 7-1/4 to 1s. 7-1/4 for a three days'
sight Private Bill. Consols have advanced in
London to 23-1/4, and Bank of India to 25-1/2.BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank Shares have been done at 7-1/2 for old and
7-1/4 for new shares, closing with further sales,
London quoting 23-1/4 and 27-1/2 respectively.
Nationals are unchanged.MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions sold
at 8-1/2 and 8-3/4, closing with buyers
at 8-1/2. North China Traders, as well as
Cantons, are unchanged. Old Yangtze are
quoted 8-1/4, while sales of the new issue have
been reported at 8-1/2.FIRE INSURANCE SHARES are unchanged
and without business.SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong Canton and
Mexico have strengthened further, buyers pay-
ing 2-1/2, at which rate more shares are wanted,
while holders demand 2-1/4. Indo-China
remain quiet at 2-1/4 (3-4) for preferred, and
2-1/4 for deferred shares) while in the north
1s. 5-1/2 has been paid. London quotes
2-1/4, 5-1/2, and 2-1/4, 5-1/2, respectively.
C. in and Manila are neglected at 1-1/2, but
Duglases have improved to buyers at 1-1/2. Shall
Transports, sold at 4-1/2, 6-1/2, the London rate
having improved to 4-1/2, 6-1/2. Star Ferries can
be placed at 1-1/2 for old and 1-1/2 for new shares.
Union Waterboats changed ownership at 1-1/2.MINING SHARES.—Without any sales. The
following is the result of Raab working for the
last eight years:
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Total of tons ore crushed
19,116 43,181 31,377 42,463 37,351 62,722 69,622 70,930DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks have ruled quiet at
\$96, but the general outlook appears to be a
little better, and we may perhaps see an improve-
ment shortly. Penwick's, as well as New Amoy
Docks, remain neglected. Shanghai Docks
have advanced in the north to 1s. 7-1/4, while
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are on offer
at 1s. 205. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves
have been done at 2-1/2 for old, and 2-1/2 for new
shares, at which rates the market closes steady;
the new issue was payable on 31st ultimo, and
the new shares will rank for dividend from 1st
instant.LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.—A few
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co.'s
shares sold at 1-1/4 and 1-1/2, closing steady at the
latter figure. Kowloon lands are weak with
sellers at 3-1/2. West Point can be placed at
\$49, and Hongkong Hotels at the improved
rate of \$104. Humphreys' Estates shares are
on the market at 10-1/4. Shanghai Lunis
are steady at 1s. 101.CORROSION METALS.—Shanghai quotes: Two
buyers at 1s. 5-1/2 for the dividend of 1s. 2-1/4
per share, paid on 30th ultimo. Internationals
buyers at 1s. 5-1/2, Laon Kung Mows 1s. 65
sellers, and Sooychoes 1s. 27 sellers. Hong-
kong Cottons have sellers at 1s. 10.SUNDAY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—
China Light and Powers sold and have sellers
at 1-1/2, and Green Island Cements have been
taken off the market at the improved rate of
2-1/4. Hopes sold at 2-1/2. Other stocks under
this heading are unchanged and without sales.MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have found
buyers at 10-1/4. China Providents have been
done at 2-1/4. Old Pacific Transports shares sold
at 1-1/2. Longkats have advanced in the north
to 1s. 365. South China Morning Post Shares
closed 2-1/2. Other Stocks under this heading
have not been dealt in and remain unchanged.

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FOR	PER	DATE
Hongkong	Hongkong	Monday, 8th, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Swatow	Monday, 8th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Macao	Monday, 8th, 1.15 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Swatow	Monday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Bangkok	Monday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Swatow	Monday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Swatow	Monday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Bangkok	Tuesday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Swatow	Tuesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
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Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Singapore	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Singapore, and Colombo	Manila	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Shanghai	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Sourabaya	Sourabaya	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Macao	Macao	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe	Yokohama	Tuesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
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EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

January 4th.

ON LONDON—

Telegraphic Transfer 1/104

Bank Bills on demand 1/104

Bank Bills at 90 days sight 1/104

Bank Bills at 4 months sight 1/104

Credits at 4 months sight 1/111

Documentary Bills 4 months sight 1/111

ON GERMANY—

Bank Bills on demand 23 1/2

Credits at 4 months sight 24 1/2

ON NEW YORK—

Bank Bills on demand 45 1/2

Credits at 60 days sight 47

ON BOMBAY—

Telegraphic Transfer 141

Bank on demand 141 1/2

ON CALCUTTA—

Telegraphic Transfer 141

Bank on demand 141 1/2

ON SHANGHAI—

Private, 30 days sight 74 1/2

On demand 75 1/2

ON YOKOHAMA—

On demand 81 1/2

On demand 82 1/2

ON SINGAPORE—

On demand 92 1/2

On demand 93 1/2

ON BATAVIA—

On demand 113 1/2

ON HONGKONG—

On demand 4 p.m.

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ON BANGKOK—

On demand 79

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GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael \$55.10

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Chinese 20 cents pieces 4.32 discount.

Hongkong 20 " " 4.35

Hongkong 20 " " 4.00

Hongkong 20 " " 4.25

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Quotations are—

Malwa New \$920 per picul.

Malwa Old \$860

Malwa Older \$1000

Malwa V. Old \$1040

Perian fine quality \$750

Perian extra fine \$830

Patna New \$937 1/2 per chest.

Patna Old \$895

Benar New \$915

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JOINT STOCK SHARE.

Hongkong, January 4th.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	Pa. 200	Nominal.
Bank—		
Hongkong & S'hai.	\$126	\$725, sales
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		Ln. 280.
		Ln. 278.
National B. of China	26	\$51.
Ball's Asbestos E. A.	12a. 6d.	\$7, buyers
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$104.
China Light & P. Co.	\$101	\$8, sellers
China Provident	\$10	\$84.
Cotton Mills—		
Hongkong	11a. 50	Tla. 52, x.d.
International	11a. 75	Tla. 52.
Leong Kung Mow	Tla. 100	Tla. 65, sellers
Soychies	Tla. 500	Tla. 270.
Dairy Farm	46	\$16.75, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$80	\$15, old
H. & W. Dock	\$80	\$63, new
New Amoy Dock	\$81	\$10, sellers
Shanghai Dock	Tla. 100	Tla. 73.
Sh'hai & H. Wharf	Tla. 100	Tla. 205.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	225	\$14.
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$114.
Hongkong & C. Co.	\$10	\$176, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$15.
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	\$104, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$240.
Hongkong Levee Co.	\$10	\$25, sales
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$424.
China Fire	\$20	\$15, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$81, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$130, sellers
North China	\$25	\$18.57, sellers
Union	\$100	\$145, buyers
Yangtze	\$60	\$135, sales
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Landlaur.	\$100	\$85.
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$104.
Kowloon Land & B.	\$30	\$15, sellers
Shanghai Land	Tla. 50	Tla. 101, sales
West End Building	\$60	\$49, buyers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fr. 250	\$60, buyers
Raubis	1/10	\$81.
Peak Tramways	\$10	\$13.
Philippine Co.	\$10	\$6.
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$100.
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$10, buyers
Steamship Companies		
China and Manila	\$25	\$15.
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$89, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	\$94, sellers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	45	\$28, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	41	\$42.
Star Ferry	\$10	\$23, buyers
Do, New	15	\$12, buyers.
South China M. Post.	\$25	\$10, sales
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$6, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$14, sellers
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$5, buyers
Watkins	\$10	\$10, buyers
Watson & Co., A.S.	\$4	\$10, buyers
United Asbestos	\$10	\$104, buyers
Do, Foundry	\$10	\$104, buyers
Union Waterboat Co.	\$10	\$104, buyers

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 6th to 12th, 1908.

Day of Week	Day of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Hongkong Mean Time	Height	Hongkong Mean Time	Height
Mon.	6	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		0 11	4 7	5 51	0 0
Tue.	7	10 53	5 7	6 14	3 3
		0 51	4 7	4 58	0 3
Wed.	8	1 49	4 7	5 57	1 3
		0 39	4 7	7 47	1 3
Thurs.	9	2 40	4 7	8 38	3 3
		1 35	0 3	8 14	3 8
Fri.	10	3 33	0 3	9 14	3 8
		2 33	0 3	10 27	3 7
Sat.	11	4 34	0 3	10 27	3 7
		3 34	0 3	10 19	2 5
Sun.	12	5 29	0 3		

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 5th.

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Barometer	30.50	30.37	30.24
Thermometer	10	61	61
Humidity	60	68	60
Wind Direction	SE	ESE	E
" Force	2	2	3
Weather	b	o	o
Rain			

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